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START: 1030                              END: 1145  
METHODOLOGY: WRV                      VIEWER IDENTIFIER: 079

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1. (S/NF/SK) MISSION: Provide a current status on the project release of the US hostages in Lebanon, with emphasis on the release of USMC LTC William (Rich) Higgins. Include status of Terry Waite, Rudolf Cordes, and that of the Israeli hostages.
2. (S/NF/SK) VIEWER TASKING: Viewer tasked with EEI reflected in Para 1, above.
3. (S/NF/SK) COMMENTS: No inclemencies noted. Viewer 25 acted as a reporter/scribe in the absence of JB. Summary of Information is attached.
4. (S/NF/SK): EVALUATION:

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

USMC LTC William (Rich) Higgins remains projected to be released from captivity during the week of 31 July 1988 to 8 August 1988 (as of this date - 2 August 1988). Higgins is currently located at Bsaba (ENCLOSURE 1); he will be released along the southern outskirts of the Beirut International Airport. The Syrians play a role in recuperating Higgins. Higgins will then be brought to an embassy; he is expected to abide by procedures set forth by the UN.

Rudolf Cordes and Frank Reed will be released soon following the release of Higgins. Robert Polhill will then be released soon thereafter; and, will be followed by Alan Steen and Joseph Cicippio. Edward Tracy is located five miles north of the military barracks (surrounded by the Syrians). There is contradictory reporting on the location of Sutherland who appears to be both in the Beqaa Valley on the one hand and north of the military barracks with Turner.

Further refinement of information related to the Israeli hostages indicate the hotel located at Red Number 1 (ENCLOSURE 2), with the brown garage type building bearing the Red Letter "T" located at Red Number 2 (ENCLOSURE 2). The Israeli hostages have also been located in the area at Red Number 3 (ENCLOSURE 2). The Israeli hostages will be released as a result of pressure brought upon by the Israeli (forces?). Terry Waite will be

released in about late August; the last hostage to be released remains Terry Anderson whose release is currently projected for the middle of September 1988.

The Secretary General of the United Nations, Kular was in the company of Mrs. Higgins. Iran vs. Iraq and the hostage situation were the primary objectives. Maurice began by stating the Col. Higgins will be taken out of Lebanon sooner than ever (will be released soon). Also, coming into play is the release of the other hostages. Higgins will retreat into another country either Egypt or Anesia (not the U.S.). However, he will be debriefed and reoriented elsewhere. the U.S. delegation will see to it that Col. Higgins stays within the guidelines of the United Nations treaty of how other hostages were kept. Col. Higgins does not realize data (have information) on other hostages. Cordez and Reid supply most of the information. Maurice then begins to explain that Cordez and Reid will get out and Pohil will be out after them. Ciccipio and Stein are touch and go with Tracy following. The U.N. Treaty shall be honoured soon. Treaty soon with Iran and Iraq. This will still not be the end of the problems but Iran will be less threatened. The hostages will fall out soon. Col. Higgins release - 31 July August. Cordez and Reid will come out together. Pohill will come out alone. Southerland Wate, anderson will come out in a group. Tracy will come out alone. Ciccipio and Stein will come out together. Jesse Turner was brought up for discussion. Maurice concentrated on the release of the other hostages. Col. Higgins starts the release. Military berricks - Cordez and Reid will be let out. Pohil will then be released. Tracy occurs later on. Tracy will be last or next to last. Ciccipio and Stein will be let out rather early. Tracy, Southerland, and Turner last. Wate will come out after others. He will know others are safe and secure first. Col. Higgins near International Airport. Hostages talk to man with plates Z. The focus was then on Quansit Hut where there is a desire to be out. Bsaba. East of Airport? Higgins will be released this week - Airport Road. He is in the vicinity of the Airport. Syrians pick him up in the southern vicinity of airport. The Syrians will help. Reid and Cordez are currently located in the vicinity of the military berricks where there is a closehold situation or status. Reid and Cordez - Closehold because Syrians are nearby. Put Tracy in this vicinity also. Put Tracy 5 miles north of military berricks - 3 to 5 other military European hostages also. Tracy receives communication. 5 miles south - Ciccipo, Stein in Picow valley and are in bad shape. Southerland is reportedly here. He could be placed near beruit. Point 3 Bekka Valley. Southerland's location in Beruit is in two places. Pohill - Sheight room - two by two garden next to him. It is a low and dark place and Pohill will stay there until his release. ARAWSHAH. Logistical support area. Put Southerland as with Turner in Bekka Valley. Turner is North. Southerland at this time is in 1. Bekka Valley 2. Turner. He does not know yet. The CI team will know what we are talking about. He is Healthy, not liked, and there is much movement. First location - Hotel, Transport, Quasr Al ADL. Brown structure with red T lettering on the side of the building. We did not mislead with the knowledge we provided from the information we got today it took 3 weeks to get information.

Dates:

Higgins - 1st week of August

Dates 16, 15, 21, 28

jWate - last in August

Israelies released in tact because of undue pressure released by the Israelies fighters themselves.

Dates:

3 Weeks

Aug 21, 27, 15, 16, 12

The entire month of August

Terry Anderson - Mid September

We provided the information.